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AMERICAN MAILS IN 1693.

Transportation of Letters in Early Colonial Times.

American post office men in general, and especially those at work on the line from Portsmouth, N. H., to Philadelphia, Pa., including the offices at Boston, New Haven, New York and Burlington, should be reminded that this year, 1893, is the bi-century of the American postal service. To be sure, there were post offices in this country before 1693, but there was no American mail service between the several colonies. The post offices at Boston, New York, Philadelphia and other seaports (no inland offices existed) dealt in ship letters and operated under municipal authority, the customary fee for a letter delivered or sent out of the country being one penny. In New York the fee used to be three stivers. Every vessel used to have a bag for carrying letters, but there is no record that any captain or supercargo ever received more than the delivery fee named.

Intercourse between the American colonies, previous to 1693, was so slight as not to call for special facilities or regular lines. In urgent cases special messengers were sent, but the bulk of correspondence such as it was, went by friends, especially in coastwise vessels. The first idea for a postal line along the coast from New England to the Carolinas originated in New York and was approved by their lordships in London, provided at least one-tenth of the gross receipts were paid over to the Duke of York. Of course, the plan failed. Before there could be any gross receipts, somebody had to pay for post-riders to travel those long roads from Nova Scotia to Carolina, of which the great men in London expected profits for the duke. Not to mention other schemes, Andrew Hamilton, of East Jersey had occasion to go to London in consequence of the Andres troubles. He was a far-sighted man, and while he was in London a patent for an American post office was issued to Thomas Neale, and Andrew Hamilton was appointed American postmaster general, an appointment so happy that after a lapse of two centuries we ought to be thankful for it. Hamilton, the farther of the American post office, was a very wise man and he was successful.

He had nothing to start with other than the patent, which gave him a monopoly; but might arouse the opposition of the colonies and their local postmasters. He had to se-

lect a post route through a country very little traveled. He had to engage trusty mail carriers. He had to buy horses and the regulation horns for his post riders. He had to replace the local post offices, and he had to get the consent of each colony for his postage rates. Late in the summer of 1892 he returned from London to America, where he traveled from colony to colony, getting from each what he could in the way of subsidies and law, and then starting his mail service.

Jealousy between the colonies was great, the prejudice against strangers was greater, and distrust of suggestions from the mother country was greatest. Hamilton overcame all obstacles; he actually induced all colonies to pass substantially the same post office act, prescribing the same postage rates; he obtained from each colony what authority he required, and in 1693 the mail was carried from Portsmouth, N. H., then known as Piscataqua, to Philadelphia and beyond. It has been carried ever since with but accidental interruptions. The mail route was from Portsmouth to Boston, Saybrook, New Haven, New York, Perth Amboy, Burlington, Philadelphia. The chief point beyond was New Castle.

The question may well be asked, which was the greater achievement, to create this service, or to get Pennsylvania, New York and Massachusetts, not to mention the other colonies, to be of one mind in renouncing local rights and local offices, to agree on a postal system that did not exist, and to promise money to carry the enterprise into effect. Neither before nor after 1693 has there been a like triumph in all American legislation. The greatest of these Hamilton acts is the Massachusetts law of June 9, 1693, which provides even for the receiving stamp to be put on all mail matter; but the most important, perhaps, is the Pennsylvania act, passed on May 30, 1693, at Philadelphia.

The reason for this statement is the fact that the Massachusetts act was disallowed by their lordships in London, while the Pennsylvania act was not subject to superior approval. Virginia, New York and Connecticut passed similar acts; New Hampshire helped. If a date for a great bi-centenary of the American post office must be named, May 30 appears to be the most appropriate, the earlier steps peing preliminary, while the Pennsylvania act assured the success of Hamilton's plan, and was promptly followed by the post-riders making their regular weekly trips between Portsmouth and Philadelphia. Hamilton deserves a monument, which ought to stand in front of the Philadelphia post office.

More than any one thing, Hamilton's post office served to establish a closer union between the several colonies and their people. His post office was not only a great civilizer,

put a vast political need that helped to establish the United Colonies, just as the post office under Benjamin Franklin, in 1775, helped in no small degee to establish the United States. No department of the national government, except the post office, can boast of an unbroken history covering two centuries, and no service had for its originator and head a man superior to Andrew Hamilton.—*N. Y. Postal Record.*

Special Despatch to THE COLLECTOR.

GRASPING RUSSIA'S REPORTED DECREE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 9.—No information has, as yet, reached the post office depart of the reported decree of the Russian government mentioned in a St. Petersburg dispatch, confiscating seventy-five per cent of all moneys found in registered letters entering Russia from foreign countries.

Last May however, the Russian government gave notice to all the countries comprising the Universal Postal Union, of certain additions to its dutiable and prohibited list. Among these articles were the International bureau of the Universal Postal Union at Berne Switzerland, translated into French as "Les billets de credit."

Over this translation a complication has arisen. The official translation, as given by the Post Office Department here, and published in the monthly postal guide of last June was "Bonds of the Russian government." The British Postal Guide, of last July, however, translated the words "Russian letters of credit" but in the following quaterly Guide the translation was changed to Russian "paper money." Whatever it was that was prohibited from transmission through the mails, was also declared to be dutiable, and for violations of the prohibition it was announced that a fine of twenty-five per cent of the sum represented would be collected. In any case it will be noted that the duty is 25 per cent not 75 per cent as mentioned in the St. Petersburg dispatch.

This government has no money order arrangement with Russia, as Russia has no domestic money order system through which foregn orders could be paid.

THE ADOPTION OF THE POSTAGE STAMP.

The adhesive stamp was first made, experimentally, by Mr. James Chalmers, in his printing office, at Dundee; in August, 1834. These stamps were printed with common type, and were made adhesive by a wash of gum.

He printed a few copies of them, and distributed them among his personal friends; who had no confidence in his scheme, and he was dissuaded from making his attempt public, at the time.

He, however, had not forgotten the matter, for in 1837, he appealed to Parliament for the support of his

scheme. He was at first ridiculed by all, but by degrees, his ideas found many friends. After a long and stormy fight, the Government was induced to make a trial of the stamps, and prizes were offered for designs. As a result, the competition was decided, by the appearance early in 1840, of the now famous Mulready envelopes. These proved a total failure, and large quantities of them were destroyed by the English Government.

In July, 1840 the adhesive stamp appeared being manufactured by a London firm. These were a great success from the start, and as a result, the first days sales amounted to $2500; a large sum in those days. The manufacturers of the stamp had presses running night and day, and were unable to supply the great demand.

The cost of manufacturing 1,000-000 stamps was then $150.22, so it may be believed that the new venture was profitable.

During 44 years (1840–1884) the British Government has printed 31-000,000,000 stamps, without including envelope or revenue stamps; so that the supply from that country should be enough to equal the demand, for many years to come.

"La Philateliue."

A SHORT HISTORY OF POSTAGE STAMPS.

Sir. Rowland Hill claims the credit for the invention and introduction of the adhesive postal stamp.

Great Britain appears to have been the first to adopt the new system, as some of its stamps bear the date of 1840. Zurich came next in 1843 after which followed the United States with its first general issue in 1847. Two years later Belgium and France made simultaneous issues. The first consisted of an engraving of King Leopold, and the latter was graced with the beautiful daughter of Eve. About the same time appeared the now rare local Madrid stamp, bearing the arms of that city impressed in bronze. The next year (1850) brought the Spanish, Baden, local Saxon Wurtemburg and Prusian. The first and last of these bore the heads of their respective sovereigns, but the others contented themselves with the design of a figure denoting the value of the stamp. These, however, now carry the impress of their various armorial bearings.

It would be tedious to relate the gradual but rapid enrolment of all the other countries, covering nearly every part of the globe, almost all of which have issued stamps at one time or other. The stamps of Hong Kong were not issued until 1863, though made nearly two years previous.

The most recent adopter of the postal system is Angra, E. which issued a set of stamps during 1892.

It would be hard to tell which is the rarest stamp in actual use at the present day, but of all stamps ever issued I think the New Haven and Brattleboro provisionals carry of the palm for value and scarcity.

The United States' stamps stand at the head for beauty of color and engraving, and the set of Columbians issued during the current year are universally acknowledged the handsomest ever made by any government. Salvador is also celebrated for its stamps and was one of the few countries that issued new sets the present year.

O. A. Howard.

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268 Jas. H. W. Althouse.
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864 Harry G. Shelley.
1038 W. E. Harr.

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157 R. W. Ashcroft.
222 F. S. Fox.

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FIRST MONTHLY REPORT.

Board of Trustees.

SINCE the late Convention at Chicago, the newly elected Board of Trustees have held regular weekly meetings in order to dispose of the immense amount of work laid before them.

Many members of prominence in the society have sent us valuable suggestions for the new constitution. These will receive due attention as soon as the clauses they cover are reached.

THE CONSTITUTION.

In accordance with the resolutions passed at the Convention, and by order of President Russell, the BOARD immediately proceeded to thoroughly revise the present constitution.

In order to cover all points of a doubtful nature, and to avoid any mistakes, the TRUSTEES feel it their duty to make haste slowly. Accordingly, several Constitutions of other societies have received careful readings, and their best parts incorporated in the new one.

The new constitution will probably be printed in the December number of the Official Organ. In order to allow every member ample time to offer future suggestions to the same, the second printing will not take place until January or February.

RESIGNATIONS.

Mr. Roy F. Greene, having sent his resignation as a member and officer of the Sons of Philatelia; it is now the duty of this BOARD to act upon the same. Being the custodian of some six hundred papers belonging to the society, we cannot accept his resignation until same are officially deposited in the care of the new Librarian.

The TRUSTEES do therefore notify all members of the Sons of Philatelia that they hereby appoint Mr. W. H. Barnes of Minneapolis, Minnesota, the Librarian of this orgization, to fill the unexpired term made vacant by the resignation of Roy F. Greene. The resignation of Frederick S. Fox as Intentional Secretary of the Sons of Philatelia has been presented for action, *and is hereby accepted.* That as a *member* is mentioned under the heading of "Impeachments."

IMPEACHMENTS.

Charges of a serious nature having been brought against Messrs. Ashcroft, Fox and Kissenger, the TRUSTEES immediately notified them of same. The resignation of R. W. Ashcroft and F. S. Fox as members of the Sons of Philatelia *will not be accepted* by this BOARD until after a full investigation of the charges brought against them, ample time has been given them nad, in case no answer is received to same, the BOARD OF TRUSTEES will immediately proceed to execute Article 3, Section 4 of the Constitution.

THE S. OF P. VS. STUART.

The BOARD OF TRUSTEES have already communicated with several lawyers regarding the case of the SOCIETY VERSUS EX-TREASURER W. M. STUART, who illegally holds $30 of the Association's funds. From present indications, the TRUSTEES believe that in the event of a suit, Stuart *can be charge interest* upon the money now in his possession. The TRUSTEES will proceed to take action upon this case, and promise Mr. Stuart that after said suit, several other charges, more serious in their character, will be brought before the courts of Massachusetts.

NEW OFFICES.

Believing that the society, by offering greater inducements to non-members, can materially increase its present enormous membership-roll, the TRUSTEES have decied to create several new and important offices. They are as follows:—

1st. A Bureau of Information.
2nd. Three Auction Agents.

In the former case, members will be appointed in New York, Chicago and San Francisco to answer all questions relating to their territory, give information about

members, journals and societies, etc. By this method, the members of the Sons of Philatelia can be readily informed upon *any* question pertaining to the society, and to Philately in the United States.

2nd. As Auctions Sales are held quite frequently in the forgoing three cities, the BOARD OF TRUSTEES have decided to appoint competent gentleman to attend same, and to purchase lots when asked to do so by members.

RES. VICE PRES.

The ancient custom of appointing Resident Vice Presidents in every State *will be abolished.* These petty officers are merely figure heads. They do nothing whatever to benefit the society or the members. Three or four only will hereafter be appointed.

In the new Constitution they will be given considerable work to do. They will be the means of saving the society many dollars in postage, besides decreasing the duties of an over-burdened Secretary.

The BOARD desires to ask a favor of every member, which, we trusts will receive due thought and attention. When you are not treated fairly by an officer, report same to us with full particulars.

The officers are the servants of the members; *not the masters.* If they do not care to conduct their departments, let them resign. The TRUSTEES will not be autocratic; but they *will* see that every requirement of our Constitution is fully and honestly enforced. If the Sons of Philatelia was loosely conducted before the August Convention, it is now the duty of every officer to see that everything effecting their departments is in perfect condition.

Otherwise the BOARD proposes to enforce every clause as strictly as possible. Cases of this kind will at once be brought before the members and they shall take due action thereon. If the officers do their duty, this society will not only be the largest in world, but the most representative and influential in the United States.

Respectfully,

TRUSTEES, SONS OF PHILATELIA.

H. H. ZOBEL, Chairman. DR. W. G. SYLVESTER, EDW. THOS. RANDALL.

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

New York Branch, No. 1.

The thirty third regular meeting of the New York Branch Number One of the Sons of Philatelia was called to order by the Secretary, in the absence of the other officers, at 10 East 36 Street on Thursday evening October 12th 1893, at eight o'clock p. m. with eleven members present. By a unanimous vote Mr. Charles W. Grevning was elected Secretary pro tem.

After the roll call the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with.

The Secretary was instructed to write a letter to Mr. R. W. Ashcroft asking for a reply to their last letter to him. Messrs. W. H. Footner, W. A. Presby and A. J. Rall were elected to membership.

The Auction Sale followed with about thirty lots of Stamps. Mr. Grevning acting as auctioneer. The meeting adjourned at ten p. m.

The thirty fourth regular meeting of the New York Branch Number One of the Sons of Philatelia was called to order by President Spooner at 217 East 59 Street on Thursday evening October 26th 1893, at eight o'clock p. m., with seventeen members present.

After the roll call the minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as read.

Mr. R. Ashcroft Jr., resignation was accepted.

It was moved and seconded and unanimously carried that this Branch hold meetings every week instead of every two weeks.

Mr. Charles W. Grevning, W. L. Richard and Dr. Paul Allen, were appointed as a committee to revise the constitution.

Mr. O. E. Wilson and W. L. Richard were appointed as a committee to report on the feasibility of subscribing to philatelic papers.

The auction sale followed with about seventy five lots of stamps. Mr. Brevoort acting as auctioneer, the bidding was very spirited.

The meeting adjourned at ten o'clock p. m. to meet again at the same place on Thursday evening November 2nd 1893.

All stamp collectors are invited to be present. RAMSAY PEUGNET, Sec'y.

Fordham, N. Y.

Lynchburg Branch, No. 15.

The fifth regular meeting was called to order by president at 7.30 P. M. in the office of Brown Bros., 711 Main St. with seven members present.

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EDITOR'S CORNER.

This number was delayed owing to the Trustees' Report stating that the new constitution would probably be printed in this number. After waiting a week for the MSS. we were notified by the Trustees that they could not get it ready in time. It will appear for certain in our next number.

Advertisers when placing their advertisements should try this paper for results. See unsolicited testimonials on 3rd cover page. Cash must accompany copy of the advertisement if the party is unknown to us. A fair trial will convince you of our merits.

Just as we close our forms we received a special dispatch about a reported decree made by Russia, should this prove to be true it will stop the stamp trade with that country. The dispatch is printed on another page.

We are in need of a few good articles on our science and will pay a fair price for the same in advertising space. Don't send any notes. S. of P. members are especially urged to send us contributions.

Mr. Chas. W. Grevning has purchased the *Stamp* of Messrs. Peugnet & Spooner. The first number under the new management has appeared and we must say it is quite an improvement over the three previous numbers.

Rumor says that our old friend, Ralph P. Spooner will join the benedicts in the not distant future, and that was one of his reasons for selling the *Stamp*. Say Ralph, you will then write us an article on that old subject—"Is marriage a failure"—won't you?

We agree with Friend Bradt in the *Eagle Philatelist*, for Oct. and Nov., that "when a person has once been a stamp collector it takes but little to get him back in the ranks?" We know of no less than three persons in this section who collected stamps over 15 years ago who have again taken up the pursuit within the last year.

Collectors who have not as yet seen the new price-list of the Standard Stamp Co. should send for a copy at once. It consists 64 pages, fully illustrated, with a handsome cover. A copy will be sent free upon application by addressing adove firm at 925 LaSalle street, St. Louis, Mo. (Adv.)

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Minutes of last meeting were adopted, after which several committees made their reports. A very neat badge was adopted after spending a pleasant evening the meeting adjourned.

The sixth regular meeting Lynchburg Branch No. 15. was called to order by the President in office of Brown Bros., with six members and one visitor present. After the roll call and reading of minutes a committee of three was appointed to draw up resolution of thanks to Messrs. Brown Bros., for the use of their office as a place of meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9 o'clock.

The seventh regular meetingwas called to order by the president at 7.30 P. M. with five members present. Mr. J. J. Bruce Chairman of Committee on resolutions submitted his resolution to Mess. Brown Bros., which were adopted. Officers made their regular monthly reports which showed the Branch was rapidly advancing. Mr. F. A. Forsberg's resignation was accepted. Mr. Landon Garland's name was proposed for membership. The regular auction sale was held with good success after which the meeting adjourned.

The eighth regular meeting was called to order at 7.30 P. M. with six members present several reports were adopted. Mr. J. B. McCaull's name was dropped from the roll on account of his removal from the city, but was elected an Honorary Member. After a lively discussion of several questions the meeting adjourned.

W. A. HOPKINS, Sec'y.
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1	1847, 5, 10c fine, wide margins	2	$
2	1851, 1, 3, 10, 12c	4	
3	1857, 1, 3, 10, 12c	4	
4	* " 1, 10c	2	
5	" 5c red-brown, perf. clipped on left side, fine	1	
6	1861, 1, 3, 5, 10, 12c	5	
7	" 5c yellow, on part of original envelope	1	
8	1863, 3c	50	
9	1865, 2, 3, 10, 12, 15c	5	
10	1865, 3c pair, left lower corner clipped, fine	2	
11	1868, 3c	25	.20
12	1869, 1, 2, 3, 6, 10, 12c	6	
13	" 15c with and without frame	2	
14	" 24c perf. clipped at bottom, otherwise fine	1	
15	" 30c pin hole in center "	1	
16	" 90c perf. clipped at top "	1	
17	1870, 1, 2, 3, 6c, fine	4	
18	" 7c, fine	1	
19	*Franklin Carrier, *1c Eagle, unpaid 1 to 50c	9	
20	*Newspaper, 1, 2, 3, 4c	4	
21	Agriculture, 3c, *State, 1c	2	
22	Executive, 3c, fine	1	
23	" 3c torn at bottom, but neatly mended	1	
24	* " 6c original gum, fine	1	
25	*Interior, 2, 3, 6, 10c, (2 of each)	8	
26	* " 2c block of 10	10	
27	" 3c 225 sold as	1	1.00
28	Justice, 3, 6c	2	
29	Navy, 1, 2, 3, 12c	4	
30	" 24c clipped at right side	1	
31	Post Office, 1, 2, 3, 6, 12, 30, 90c, last two have one corner cut	7	
32	*Treasury, 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 90c	6	
33	" 3c	30	
34	*War, complete, 6, 12 used, rest *	11	
35	*War, 1c	10	
36	War, 1, 3, 6c, Interior, 3c (5 of each)	20	
37	*Official Seals, 1889	25	
38	1893, Columbian, 2c 2500 sold as	1	1.50
39	Revenue, $10.00 Mortgage, very slight tear	1	

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40	*1870, 1c blue on orange, 1883, 4c green on white, legal size	2	.25
41	*1883, 5c brown on white, 10c brown on white, (die B), official size	2	.35
42	*1883, 90c carmine on white, extra, official size	1	2.25
43	*1890, 4c carmine on blue, 4c carmine on buff, legal size	2	.25
44	*1890, 5c blue on oriental buff, 5c blue on blue, extra letter size	2	.25

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45	New Orleans, 5c brown, left upper corner torn but neatly mended	1	
46	1861, 10c on original letter	1	
47	1862, 2c green, original letter, clipped a little close on left side	1	
48	*1862, 10c rose, beautiful unused copy	1	
49	*1863, TEN CENTS, " "	1	
50	* " 10c, strip of 5, perforated, very fine	5	
51	1863, 20c green, used on piece of original envelope	1	

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52	Antigua, 1879, 4p C. C., slight tear	1	
53	*Argentine, entire envelopes, 8, 16, 10c	3	
54	*Barbadoes, 1861, 1sh no Watermark, rare	1	
55	*Bolivia, 1871, 5c, Bulgaria, 1887, 2s (10 each)	20	
56	*Canada, ½, 1, 3c, (10 each)	30	
57	Cape of Good Hope, 1857, 1p, white paper	1	.25
58	Guatemala, 1886, 1, 5c (10 each)	20	
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13	" 3c green on white " cut sq.	.25
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16	" 1c blue on orange entire	.25
17	" 1c blue on orange cut sq.	.25
18	2c chocolate on white entire	.25
19	2c chocolate on white cut sq.	.25
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" 5c brown		.25
" 10c green	.40	.08
" " " white p.	.70	
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1862, 5c chocolate		.00
1863, 2c black		.03
" 3c rose	.10	.01
" 3c dark rose		.08
1868, 2c black		.10
" 3c rose		.02
" 12c black		.28
" 15c black		.25
1869, 1c bluire		.5
" 2c brown		.08
" 3c blue		.02
" 6c blue		.35
" 12c green		.35
1875, 3c blue		.15
1870, 1c blue		.20
" 2c brown		.05
" 3c green	.30	.03
1872, 1c blue	.04	.01
" 2c brown	.08	.01
1872, 3c green	.05	.01
" 6c pink		.02

	NEW	USED
1872, 6c carmine (scarce)		.05
" 7c vermilion		.25
" 10c brown		.01
" 12c dark purple		.12
" 15c orange		.12
" 24c purple		.50
" 30c black		.05
" 90c carmine		.16
1875, 2c vermilion		.01
" 5c brown	.20	.02
1882, 5c brown	.10	.01
" 1c blue	.03	.01
1882, 4c green	.10	.02
1888, 5c blue	.68	.01
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1888, 4c carmine	.10	.02
1890, 1c blue	.02	.01
" 2c carmine	.03	.01
" 3c purple	.01	.02
" 4c brown	.06	.01
" 5c chocolate	.07	.01
" 6c dull mageta	.08	.04
" 15c green	.12	.01
" 15c blue	.18	.04
" 30c black	.35	.04
" 90c orange	1.10	.30
1893, 1c blue	.02	.01
" 2c purple	.03	.01
" 3c green	.04	.02
" 4c blue	.05	.01
" 5c chocolate	.06	.01
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